## Message

From: Jones, Enesta [Jones.Enesta@epa.gov]

**Sent**: 9/19/2019 6:24:51 PM **To**: PShuler@kqed.org

CC: Press [Press@epa.gov]; Calvino, Maria Soledad [Calvino.Maria@epa.gov]

Subject: Fwd: KQED Request

Hi Peter,

Please see our response below.

"EPA does not comment on potential enforcement actions." – EPA spokesperson

From: "Calvino, Maria Soledad" < Calvino. Maria@epa.gov>

**Date:** September 19, 2019 at 2:10:24 PM EDT **To:** Peter Jon Shuler < <u>PShuler@KQED.org</u>>

Cc: Press < <u>Press@epa.gov</u>>
Subject: RE: KQED Request

Hi Peter,

Yes, I'm Cc'ing our HQ office here on this email. They will reply to your request.

Thank you,

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**From:** Peter Jon Shuler < <u>PShuler@KQED.org</u>> **Sent:** Thursday, September 19, 2019 11:04 AM

To: Calvino, Maria Soledad < Calvino. Maria@epa.gov>

Subject: KQED Request

Hi Soledad,

I am trying to arrange an interview or get a statement regarding President Trump's remarks that the EPA will be "putting out a notice" of violations in San Francisco related to the city's homeless problem. He said that a tremendous amount of waste, including needles, goes through storm drains into the ocean:

https://www.sfchronicle.com/bayarea/article/Trump-threatens-to-cite-San-Francisco-says-city-14451275.php

https://www.nytimes.com/2019/09/18/us/politics/trump-san-francisco-homeless.html?action=click&module=Top%20Stories&pgtype=Homepage

I'm not looking for a typical reaction story, but trying to dig into the facts of the matter. Is there any evidence of needles and other hazardous waste flowing into the Bay and Ocean to back up his statements? If the EPA has evidence or data

to back this up, that would be significant news and we would be happy to report it. I believe it's only ethically appropriate to give the EPA an opportunity to provide substance to the President's comments.

But I am interested in reporting facts, not opinions.

Can you help?

Is there someone at the main EPA press office I should be reaching out to?

Please let me know.

Thanks, Peter

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